

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2007-

**DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC – Application for approval of Energy Efficiency Plan**

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (“Duke Energy Carolinas” or “Company”) filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) requesting approval of (1) a new regulatory approach to energy efficiency programs (the “Energy Efficiency Plan”), (2) an energy efficiency rider to implement the approach for Company-sponsored energy efficiency programs, and (3) a portfolio of energy efficiency programs. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Sections 58-27-820, 58-27-870, and 58-37-20.

Duke Energy Carolinas states in its application that the new regulatory approach recognizes efficiency as a reliable, valuable resource, a “fifth fuel,” that should be part of the portfolio available to meet customers’ need for electricity along with coal, nuclear, natural gas, and renewable energy and then describes how the Company intends to develop and implement the Energy Efficiency Plan. Additionally, Duke Energy Carolinas proposes the Commission approve an energy efficiency rider that will compensate the Company for delivering verified energy efficiency results. The Company seeks approval for the first year Rider EE charge (including the appropriate revenue related taxes) of \$0.1110 per kWh for residential customers and \$0.0892 per kWh for non-residential customers. Under Duke Energy Carolinas’ proposal, the Commission will adjust Rider EE annually, based on updated projections of results, including projected incremental avoided costs, and actual results achieved by the Company. The proposed portfolio of energy efficiency programs includes Residential Energy Assessments, Smart Saver® for Residential Customers, Low Income Services, Energy Efficiency Education Program for Schools, Power Manager, Non-Residential Energy Assessments, Smart Saver® for Non-Residential Customers, Power Share®, Efficiency Savings Plan, and Advanced Power Manager Program.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Additionally, the Application is available on the Commission’s website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) and from Frank R. Ellerbe, III, Esquire or Bonnie D. Shealy, Esquire, ROBINSON, MCFADDEN & MOORE, P.C., P.O. Box 944, Columbia, South Carolina 29202.

In order for testimony and evidence to be received from all interested parties, a public hearing will be held in the Commission’s Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, Saluda Building, 1010 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina on \_\_\_\_\_.

***This document is an exact duplicate, with the exception of the form of the signature, of the e-filed copy submitted to the Commission in accordance with its electronic filing instructions.***

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before \_\_\_\_\_ and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2007-*

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, at Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, SC 29211, and Frank R. Ellerbe, III, Esquire and Bonnie D. Shealy, Esquire, Post Office Box 944, Columbia, SC 29202, on or before \_\_\_\_\_ and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2007-*

**Any person who wishes to request that the Commission hold a public hearing in his or her county of residence in order to hear comments from the utility's customers should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, at Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, SC 29211, and Frank R. Ellerbe, III, Esquire and Bonnie D. Shealy, Esquire, Post Office Box 944, Columbia, SC 29202, on or before \_\_\_\_\_.** *Please refer to Docket No. 2007-*

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before \_\_\_\_\_. *Please refer to Docket No. 2007-*

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:** Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission by dialing (803) 896-5100.

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